

RESOLUTION NO. 16- 684

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised of the 5th Annual Pink Ribbon Gala presented by Beta Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. This event will occur Saturday, October 1, 2016, from 6 to 10 pm at the Von Braun Center, East Hall. A reception, music for dinner and dancing and prominent local guest speakers will be present for uplifting inspiration; and,

WHEREAS, the theme for this year is “The Cancer Story.” The goal is to lead the funding efforts for research screening and patient care for cancer survivors and their supporters in the North Alabama area. Beta Epsilon Sigma Fraternity, Inc., will once again sponsor this event in support of St. Jude Children’s Affiliate Clinic of Huntsville Hospital. The Pink Ribbon Gala is a non-profit, 501(c)3 program event, and all donations are tax deductible; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the international initiatives of “Building Healthier Communities,” the men of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., in collaboration with St. Jude Children's Affiliate Clinic of Huntsville Hospital wish to join together to fight children’s cancerous diseases. This Pink Ribbon Gala was established to educate, draw emphasis to the significance of preventive measures and early detection, and assist with financial support to local supporting agencies; and,

WHEREAS, the St. Jude Affiliate Clinic in Huntsville is one of only seven in the nation and provides the gold standard of pediatric cancer care in our community. With physicians and nurses who specialize in pediatric hematology/oncology, the clinic is committed to providing quality care in a friendly and kid-focused setting; and,

WHEREAS, using clinical protocols established by St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, the local pediatric oncologists collaborate with physicians and specialists at St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, to give each patient the benefit of years of pediatric cancer research and advancements, all while staying closer to home; and,

WHEREAS, through participation in this event, the joint initiative can forward the progress for the cure of cancer, and make a difference to those fighting this dread disease. More information is available from Thomas A. Randolph, Chapter President, Phi Beta Sigma; P. O. Box 3381; Huntsville, AL 35810; 256-603-6552; tom.randoolph27@yahoo.com.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, commend the Beta Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., in their objective to support Huntsville Hospital, Children’s Services, St. Jude Affiliate Clinic in the on-going task to conquer the dread disease of cancer. We wish you every success in this and future endeavors.

ADOPTED this the 22nd day of September, 2016.

President of the City Council of
the City of Huntsville, Alabama

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville,
Alabama